



# **SANDS THROUGH THE HOUR GLASS**

**February 17, 2018**  
**4:00 pm Afternoon Worship**  
**Royal Oak First United Methodist Church**  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hymn Sing

#62

All Creatures of Our God and King (St. 1-3, 7)

UMH\*

Call to Worship

Bob Prud'homme

Sung Response

Crafted and Called

Caleb Williams

Greeting Your Neighbor

Invitation to Mission

Time of Prayer

Prayer Song #393

Spirit of the Living God

UMH

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Doxology #95

UMH

Scripture

Psalms 139:14-18

NRSV\*\*

Message

Sands Through the Hour Glass

Myra Moreland

Hymn #707

Hymn of Promise

UMH

\* United Methodist Hymnal

\*\* New Revised Standard Version



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4:30-7:00 pm

February 23

March 9 & 23

CRAFTED  CALLED

TUESDAYS, FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20  
7:00 PM



**FUN  
FOR  
ALL**

**SATURDAY  
FEBRUARY 24**

**5:00 PM**

# EVENTS

## Fish Dinners are Here!

**February 23, March 9 & 23**

**4:30 - 7:00 pm**

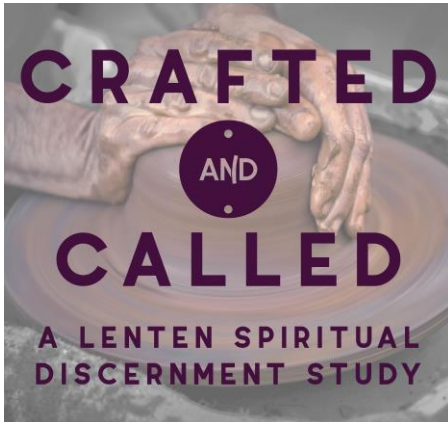
Our famous fish dinners are back! Be sure to join us in February and March for our wonderful nights of food and fellowship. Adult meals start at just \$10. Flyers with more information are available in Fellowship Hall.



## Crafted and Called

**Tuesdays during Lent, 7:00 pm**

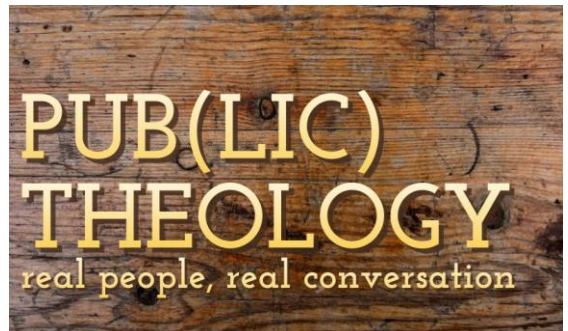
**Prayer Service at 6:30 pm**



February has started and most of our New Year's resolutions are ancient history, but God isn't done with us. Starting Tuesday, February 20, at 7:00 pm, all people are invited to gather at church to explore and learn more about the ways we've each been made unique and where God is calling us. There will be teaching, reflection, and table conversation. To help decompress from the day and re-center, there will be a Taizé service of singing and silent prayer in the sanctuary at 6:30 pm before each session. For more information, contact the church office.

## Pub(lic) Theology Returns for Crafted and Called

Our Public Theology connecting group has been on hold during Faith & Film, and, to support our congregation-wide discipleship process, we made the decision to function as a table group for the Lenten Crafted & Called series! We will meet at the church at 7:00 pm and move to the Royal Oak Taphouse to do our table work. We offer real people, conversation about something that really matters, and (if you want) a really good beverage.





## Fun For All

**Saturday, February 24, 5:00 pm**



This month we will be making soaps and bath bombs! Come and learn how to make mini soaps with surprises inside. Maybe it will be a dinosaur or a ladybug, a starfish or a shark! Find out what makes the bath bombs explode. There will be stations for all ages and abilities. When we are finished with the soap and bath bombs, we get to decorate cookies and eat pizza. Come and join the fun! If you have any questions, contact Laurie O'Donnell at [lodonnell@rofum.org](mailto:lodonnell@rofum.org).

## Big Boy Night for Music Guild

**Tuesday, February 27, 5:00-8:00 pm**

Join us on Tuesday, February 27, for our Big Boy Night! Come to the Big Boy at 30460 John R Rd. in Madison Heights and enjoy dinner with your church family and 15% of your dinner tab (with a coupon) goes to the Royal Oak First United Methodist Music Guild to support Choir Camp. There are drawings for wonderful prizes and you get to eat where (almost) everybody knows your name! Contact Shirley Harris at [sharris@rofum.org](mailto:sharris@rofum.org) with any questions.



## If you love to cook, then we want you!



We are looking for cooks for Sunday Youth Night for Royal Oak Youth (ROY) and Wednesday Evenings for Holy COW. Sunday Night dinner starts at 6:45 pm and we average about 30 youth. Wednesday Night dinner starts at 5:30 pm and we are averaging about 60 children and their families.

If you are interested in cooking a meal or working with a team of cooks, please contact Danielle Moody at [dmoody@rofum.org](mailto:dmoody@rofum.org).

# OPPORTUNITIES

## Do you want to join our worship team?



You can be an important part of our worship team on your schedule! Communion servers are needed on the first Sunday of every month at the 9:00 and 11:00 services. Our 11:00 service needs Crucifers (the people who carry the cross) for the beginning and end of worship each Sunday.

You can help out once, twice, or as many times in the year as you choose. Contact Jennifer Semivan at [jsemivan@rofum.org](mailto:jsemivan@rofum.org) for more information.

## Men's Clothing Needed

On the last Monday of each month, the Fellowship Hall is transformed into a mini-clothing store with Men's, Women's, and Children's departments for our Lunch Guests. Our stock is running low and we need clothing, especially men's clothing. If you have any clothing or shoes you would like to donate, please bring it to church on weekends or any time during office hours (Monday-Friday, 9:00-4:00).



## Do you like to send birthday cards to your church friends?



Contact Sam Garrett at [sgarrett@rofum.org](mailto:sgarrett@rofum.org) and you can be added to our monthly birthday mailing list!

The monthly birthday list is the first in a series of special mailing lists we are creating. Other optional mailings will include a weekly bulletin mailing, our weekly prayer chain, and more!

# PRAYER LIST

**Prayers for our church family:** Christina Smith; Barbara Nicholas; Bob Brown; Don and Marilyn McCreedy; Gerald Elliot; Mike Johnson; Marijean Kroell; Ann Moser; Bonnie Barber; Ethan Watkins; John Dorsey; Dick Bryan; Diana Shornak; Patti Cooper-Koerner; Ray & Betty Lawson; Bob Prud'homme; Jon & Lisa Rye; Sherry & Bob Giles; Dian Wurdock; The Lowman Family; Art Miller; Pam Shewchuck; Bob Demyanovich; Marilyn Hocking; Dori Bridson

**Prayers for our extended family:** Patricia Semivan; Kirt Taylor; Ethan Meade; Karen Halsig; Jonah Newblatt; Al Janney; Jan & Randy Hunt; Jerry Oberlander; Tim Walbridge; Harold Baker; Laura Vroman; Josh Williamson; Greg Lynn; Stewart Francke; Sarah Tamm; Shirley Gnegy; Marlene Yates; Cathy Wyker; Bill Kincannon; Richard Hoglund; Robert Lechner; Charles Prud'homme

**Homebound Member of the Week:** Betty Cairns

Please contact our Pastoral Care Team at  
[pgill@rofum.org](mailto:pgill@rofum.org) with any prayer concerns.



Wednesdays  
7:30 pm

# CRAFTED & CALLED

If you would like to participate in our Lenten Spiritual Discernment Series, Crafted and Called, please fill out this form and place it in the offering plate, or sign up at the *Here I Am Lord* table in Fellowship Hall.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Mark the 3 groups you would like to join in order of preference. Groups are limited to 8 people. We will do our best to match everyone with their preferred leaders.

\_\_\_\_\_ Dave & Carrie Beerer

\_\_\_\_\_ Larry & Ann Brown

\_\_\_\_\_ Sandy & Gene Davis

\_\_\_\_\_ Myra Moreland

\_\_\_\_\_ Jennifer Semivan

\_\_\_\_\_ Andrew Sluss

\_\_\_\_\_ Caleb Williams

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## SERMON NOTES

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# SCHEDULE

## Sunday, February 18 – Welcoming New Members

9:00 am	Worship .....	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:15 am	Coffee Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Worship .....	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Fellowship Hall; Preschool – Room #405	
	Lower Elementary (K-2) – Room #402	
	Upper Elementary (3-5) – Room #403	
	Middle School (6-8) – Room #414	
12:15 pm	Coffee Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsals .....	Choir Room, & Room #414
6:00 pm	Cantata Chorale .....	Sanctuary & Choir Room
6:45 pm	Youth Group Dinner .....	Fellowship Hall
7:15 pm	Youth Group .....	Fellowship Hall

## Monday, February 19 – Presidents' Day

9:30 am	Core Team Meeting .....	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Core Directors Meeting .....	Choir Room
4:00 pm	Songwriting Group .....	Choir Room
4:00 pm	Uncle Calvin's Sweet Potato Pies .....	Kitchen
7:00 pm	Missions Meeting .....	Choir Room

## Tuesday, February 20

10:00 am	Tuesday Morning Pastor's Book Group .....	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
11:30 am	Sermon Practice .....	Sanctuary
11:45 am	ROga (ROFUM Chair Yoga) .....	Choir Room
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons .....	Choir Room
4:00 pm	Uncle Calvin's Sweet Potato Pies .....	Kitchen
6:30 pm	Taizé Prayer Service .....	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Crafted and Called Discernment Study .....	Fellowship Hall

## Wednesday, February 21

9:30 am	Bulletin Meeting .....	Fellowship Hall
9:30 am	United Methodist Women Book Discussion Group .....	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Organ Practice .....	Sanctuary
11:30 am	ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) .....	The Avenue Restaurant
5:30 pm	Holy COW (Church On Wednesday) Dinner .....	Fellowship Hall

### **Wednesday, February 21 (Continued)**

6:15 pm	Holy COW Choir Rehearsals ....	Choir Room, Room #402, Room # 403
6:30 pm	Carillon Bell Choir Rehearsal .....	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga.....	Room #414
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal.....	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon .....	Room #403

### **Thursday, February 22**

7:00 am	Men's Morning Fellowship.....	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	As We Gather Service .....	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Shawl Ministry.....	Fellowship Hall
2:00 pm	Organ Practice.....	Sanctuary
6:30 pm	One Faithful World .....	Temple Israel
7:00 pm	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal .....	Choir Room

### **Friday, February 23**

9:00 am	Event Planning Meeting .....	Fellowship Hall
9:30 am	As We Gather Bible Study .....	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
4:30 pm	Fish Dinner .....	Fellowship Hall

### **Saturday, February 24**

10:00 am	Choir Ministry Tour.....	Off Site
4:00 pm	Saturday Afternoon Worship .....	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	Fun For All.....	Fellowship Hall

### **Sunday, February 25**

9:00 am	Worship .....	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 –	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Senior Prom Planning .....	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor
10:15 am	Coffee Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Worship .....	Sanctuary
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# LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I am running around a lot these days. With an active and growing church, a wife and partner who is in full time ministry, and two boys who are in sports and music, I find myself running from one thing to next all day, every day! The most frequent conversation Bridget and I have most days goes something like this, “Who is picking up Casey? Who is getting Sam to the gym?” I know I am not alone. We have busy and full lives. Most days I am in search of just a little margin—a little margin for myself, a little margin to just be with Bridget, a little margin to just hang out with Casey and Sam.

The other night I was on my way to a meeting at church and Casey said, “Another meeting, Dad? I wish you could just stay home tonight!” A dagger to the heart, right? But here is what I told him, “I should be done by 8:30. I’ll call you on my way home. Meet me in the garage and we’ll go do something!” He lit up like a pumpkin on Halloween!

I know being out with my kids after 9:00 pm on a school night might not qualify me for parent of the year status, but I found a little margin and didn’t want it to slip past. We drove to Little Caesar’s, bought a \$5 Hot and Ready, some Crazy bread and a couple of 20-ounce sodas, came home and watched an hour of Star Wars: Rogue One (a movie we have seen at least 3 times already!) For an hour, I put my phone away. For an hour, I put my worries away. For an hour I was just present with my kid (a kid who in just a few years will probably be heading off to college somewhere!). It was exactly what we needed—both of us! It made all the business of the rest of the day worth it. A little bit of margin can go a long way.

This week we start Lent—the 40-day journey to Easter. During this time, I am setting aside some time on Tuesday night to give you some margin. Some margin to think and relax, margin to reflect, and margin to re-engage your faith. It is called Crafted and Called. It is time to just be present with God. This is not meant to be one more thing to try and cram into the busyness of our lives. It is meant to be a momentary chance to set down all the other demands of life. It is meant to be some margin—a chance to let us see where it all fits together.

So, beginning this Tuesday at 7:00 pm, give yourself some margin. Join us for a time of prayer and reflection. It might almost be as good as a \$5 pizza and watching Star Wars again with your favorite middle schooler!

Looking forward to this time together!

Grace and Peace,

